

1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of
3 Illinois were saddened to learn of the death of Joseph Daniel
4 Murphy of Chicago on February 6, 2003 at 74 years of age; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Murphy was born in Hannibal, Missouri and
6 moved with his family to Chicago at age 6; he had lived in
7 the Logan Square neighborhood for the last 25 years; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Murphy received a bachelor's and a master's
9 degree from Roosevelt University in Chicago; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Murphy was a retired public school teacher
11 and principal who devoted his time to local causes, politics,
12 and even volunteered as a handyman years after his retirement
13 in 1986; he served in the United States Army during the
14 Korean War; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Murphy is past president of the Logan Square
16 Neighborhood Association; he was the founding member of the
17 Chicago Alliance for Neighborhood Safety and served as its
18 president from 1991 to 1994; he also served on the board of
19 the Boys and Girls Club of Logan Square, as well as the local
20 school council; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Murphy was a strong believer in his
22 community, and if anyone need help he was there; he lived
23 with a simple philosophy: "treat others with dignity, expect
24 the best from them and that's what you will get in return";
25 and

26 WHEREAS, Mr. Murphy's passing will be deeply felt by all
27 who knew and loved him, especially his daughter, Donna
28 Wittert; his son, Leslie; his two sisters, Mary Bitto and
29 Joan Haacker; his two brothers, Reverend John and Robert; and
30 his four grandchildren; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the death of
3 Joseph Daniel Murphy along with all who knew and loved him,
4 and we extend our sincerest condolences to his family and
5 friends; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to the family of Joseph Daniel Murphy with our
8 deepest sympathy.